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2             Subject matter includes methods of using conventional set-top boxes that  
3 receive streaming video modulated on coaxial cable rather than over an IP-based  
4 LAN as nodes in a media network. In one implementation, an exemplary adapter  
5 is used to integrate a conventional set-top box into a media network. In one  
6 implementation, an exemplary filter is used to reserve frequencies for  
7 communications between a conventional set-top box and a hub and to prevent  
8 communications from leaving a media network. In one implementation, an  
9 exemplary content protection method provides a way of encrypting program  
10 content on the media network in a manner that a conventional set-top box can  
11 decode.

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